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A PERSONAL NOTE:

If anyone wants information in HA, please e-mail me the exact wording if you can. I can then paste it right in the newsletter. Of course I will accept information in regular mail from everyone else. I am now on Facebook. The Friends of Old-time Radio Convention is also on Facebook and is run by Sean Dougherty.

THIRD REVISED ULTIMATE HISTORY: Just a reminder that this book was originally written in 1992 and is the first and original book listing Network radio programming and the shows that are in circulation.

The fourth Supplement to the third edition (largest yet) is off the press. Cost is 10.00 plus \$1.50 P & H.

The 2005 “3rd Revised Ultimate History” is \$67 including P&H. which includes the First, Second, Third and Fourth Supplement. If you bought any of my earlier editions, the cost is \$57 including P&H. Please send new information when you can for the next update. I will need the information by October 1, 2010.

CONVENTION 2010: This is our 35th convention. Dates are Oct 21 – 24, 2010 at the Ramada Plaza (formerly Holiday Inn; same hotel) Newark, NJ. Go online to <www.Ramada.com> to get best rates. You will find 2 hotels in Newark with same address. They are the same. Just book the one with the lowest rate. The Ramada 800 number 800-272-6232. The number of the hotel is 973-589-1000. Our web site will keep you up to date. Note web site: <<http://www.fotr.net>>.

CONVENTION 2009: 2009 Convention booklets are available for \$2.50 including P&H. There are guests bios and pictures.

All of the sessions were video recorded by Satellite Media Production. You may order them as a complete set or by individual sessions. Please contact Fred Berney at Satellite Media Productions, P.O. Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793-0638. Phone 800-747-0856. E-mail: fsberney@verizon.net.

Four years ago, Ellen and Fred Berney prepared 2 DVD's of the past 30 conventions. Cost is \$20 plus \$5.00 P&H. Send to Satellite Media Productions.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: A complete list of publications mentioned with addresses, contact people, etc. is one of the introductory pages in my current Ultimate History. It is also part of a small package mailed with your first Hello Again. If you don't have one, e-mail me for it and I will e-mail it to you. If you don't have e-mail, please send me a SASE for it; -**Radio Recall**, Aug; articles about Inventor of Radio; Mel Torme; books on radio in particular states; -**Old Time Radio Digest**, Summer; articles about Molle Mystery Theater; Radio in 1943; Ma Perkins; Elmer Davis; -**The Jack Benny Times**, Sep – Dec; articles about Jack Benny; Eddie Carroll; Dick Lane who played Steve Bradley; -**Old Radio Times**, Jul – Aug; articles about Kellogg's history and programs it sponsored; WKY in Oklahoma; Howie Wing; Himan Brown; OTR conventions from a dealer's perspective by Bob Burnham; Internet archive and OTR; -**Nostalgia Digest**, Autumn; articles about Marsha Hunt; Art Linkletter; Bing Crosby; Music about Lindbergh; A Christmas Carol; Bloopers

BOOKS: (Most books can also be purchased at <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>, <Amazon.com> or <Barnesandnoble.com>). **Greenwood Publishing Group** (Box 5007, Westport, CT 06881) has published many bio-bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. Over 80 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800 or 1-203-226-

3571;-Many books are from **McFarland** ; 1-800-253-2187; Web (www.mcfarlandpub.com) and **Bear Manor Media**, Box 71426, Albany, GA 31708; 229-436-4265; <Bearmanormedia.com> **Book Hunter Press**, Box 193, Yorktown Hts., NY 10598 (www.bookhunterpress.com/radio);-**Martin Grams (OTR Publishing)**, Box 52, Whiteford, MD. 21160; (443) 286-6821 <www.martingrams.com>;-**Scarecrow Press**; <scarecrowpress.com> 1-800-462-6420.

CONVENTIONS: (Let me know details of your upcoming convention)

5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Nostalgia Convention, Sep 23 – 25, 2010. Hunt Valley Marriott, Hunt Valley, MD; Old-Time Radio, movie and TV events and guests. Contact Martin or Michelle Grams, Jr at 443-286-6821, or <<http://www.midatlanticnostalgiaconvention.com>>

35th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention, Oct 21 – 24, 2010 at the **Ramada Plaza Conference Center (formerly Holiday Inn)**, Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, 27436 Desert Rose Ct, Leesburg, FL 34748 (352) 728-6731 <JayHick@aol.com> or check our web site: <http://www.fotr.net>

Cincinnati's 25th Old Time Radio and Nostalgia Convention, May 20 - 21, 2011; Crowne Plaza Hotel; Contact Bob Burchett, 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 (888-477-9112) <haradio@hotmail.com>

THE INTERNET: Many of my subscribers are on the Internet. If you want to get on the mailing list for the Old Time Radio Digest (Round table) on the Internet, e-mail to this address: <old.time.radio-request@oldradio.net>; Let me know if any are out of date.

WEB SITES: Various OTR Web sites will be posted. Most begin with <www.> Let me know what yours is: **Lou Genco** (many collectors have their sites here including Vintage Broadcasts; Ted Davenport; Ed Carr; Fred Berney; Pat McCoy) <old-time.com> **Jim Widner** <otr.com> (**Radio Days**);-**Chuck Schaden** <nostalgia Digest.com> **BRC (Bob Burnham)** <brcradio.com/> **Ted Kneebone** <geocities.com/tkneebone1> **Jerry Haendiges** <otrsite.com/radiolog/index.html> **Australian Film and Sound** <Screensound.gov.au> **OTR Digest** <www.lofcom.net/nostalgia/books/> **Jack Benny Fan Club** <Jackbenny.org> **Radio Broadcast Chronicles** <gna.net/tia> **Tom Heathwood** <HeritageRadio.com>. **First Generation Archives** <radioarchives.org> (Free subscription) <<http://www.radioarchives.org/newsletter.asp>> **Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound** <repsonline.org> **Terry Salomonson** <audio-classic.com> <digitalotr.com> The **OTR Club** now has a web page at <<http://www2.pcom.net/robmcd/otrbuffalo/>> **Doug Kosmonek** <<http://members.shaw.ca/douglas Kosmonek>> new e-mail is <douglas Kosmonek@shaw.ca> **Radio Spirits** <radiospirits.com> **The MWOTRC** web site is now operational and can be accessed either by www.mwotrc.com or www.readiorecall.com **Radio Memories (NEW)** www.radiomemories.com...**Ivan G. Shreve, Jr. (Thrilling Days of Yesteryear)** <<http://blogs.salon.com/0003139/>> **Bear Manor Media**, a publishing company (run by Ben Ohmart. Send for their catalog...They have published many OTR books in the last few years. <<http://www.bearmanormedia.com>> **RHAC** web site is <www.rhac.org> **Radio Days** is celebrating its 10th year on the web at <<http://www.otr.com>> **Ron Sayles (births, deaths)** <<http://mywebpage.netscape.com/bogusotr/instant/taz.html>>. (also) <<http://otrbirths.blogspot.com/>>;-**Eddie Cantor** <eddiecantor.com>;-**Old time Radio Researchers Group** <<http://www.otrr.org>>;-For free downloads of old time radio programs, check out the **OTRRLibrary** <<http://www.otrrlibrary.org>>;-For the most up-to-date information about old time radio series, and their stars, check out **OTRRPedia** located at <<http://www.otrrpedia.org>>;-**Stu Weiss** <www.ramtownlive.com/popshoppe>. **Peter Tatchell** <laughterlog.com>

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS (All addresses first): **McCoy's Recording** (Pat McCoy), Box 1069, Richland, WA 99352 (509) 627-4039; <www.old-time.com/mccoy.html> **Jerry Haendiges**, 13808 Sunset Dr., Whittier, CA 90602 <JHaendiges@aol.com> **Radio Memories (Ted Davenport)**, Box 94548, North Little Rock, AR 72190 (888) 357-2346 <tedotr@sbcglobal.net> **Vintage Broadcasts** (Andy Blatt), Box 3257, Milford, CT 06460 (203-283-9770); <asajb2000@yahoo.com>; **Great American Radio (GAR)** (Gary Kramer), Box 401, Clio, MI

48420 <ga@radio.fm>; **Bequaert Old Books**, Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448 <www.beqbooks.com>; send 2 34-cents stamps for a catalog of books and magazines on OTR
AVPRO (Don Aston), Box 1392, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531 (1-888-3328776) **Redmond Nostalgia Co.** (David Kiner), Box 82, Redmond, WA 98073 **SPERDVAC Library** (Box 669, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266) **John Barber**, Box 72273., New Orleans, LA 70112 (504) 586-1931 <jbarber@gno.lib.la.us>. **Vintage Audio** (Tom Martin), 461 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (518) 584-1112 <Thomasmartin245@aol.com> **Satellite Video Production (Fred Berney)** Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793 (1-800-747-0856) <Berney@fred.net> **BRC Productions** (Bob Burnham), Box 158, Dearborn, MI 48127 <bob@brcbroadcast.com> <www.brcradio.com> **Hello Again Radio** (Bob Burchett), 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 **Audio Classics Archive** (Terry Salomonson), Box 347, Howell, MI 48844; 1-877-653-8963 (for orders only) <audio-classic.com> **Lodestone** (Richard Fish), 611 Empire Mill Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401; 1-800-411-6463 <lodestone-media.com> (Deals in New Audio Theater **Ed Carr**, 216 Shaner St., Boyertown, PA 19512 <edcarr@enter.net> **Dan Riedstra**, 2830 North Rockwell St., Chicago, IL 60618 <daniel.riedstra@wcom.com>. **Max Schmid**, Box 3449, Astoria, NY 11103 <mschmid@rcn.com> <www.oldtimeradio.com> **Henry Hinkel**, 254 Florida Avenue, Amsterdam, NY 12010 <www.crabapplesound.com> **Danean MacAndrew**, P. O. Box 793, Lake Forest, CA, 92609 <www.theradiolady.com> **Heritage Radio Classics**; Tom Heathwood, Box 16, Boston, MA 02467 <www.heritageaudio.com> Listen to the Heritage Radio Theatre every Sunday for one week streaming audio: <www.vintageRadioPlace.com/broadcast> **Stu Weiss** <www.ramtownlive.com/pop shoppe>

All listings below list sampling of shows. **Bequaert Old books**; biggest dealer of OTR printed material; Catalog B25; includes 44 1932 – 1935 radio broadcasting magazines; near mint condition

IN FOND MEMORY: **Buff Cobb**, Jul 12, 82; actress; Curtain Time, Proudly We Hail;- **Daniel Schorr**, Jul 23, 93; radio commentator; variety of news programs; more recently on NPR;- **John Aylesworth**, Jul 28, 81; Canadian born writer and producer (Actor in Canadian Radio - Penny's Diary and High Newsreel);-**Mitch Miller**, Jul 31, 99; Record Producer, recording artist (Own radio show 1955 – 1961);-**Patricia Neal**, Aug 8, 84; actress (Family Theater; Lux; others);- **Edward Kean**, Aug 13, 89; writer for Howdy Doody on TV and for Bob Smith on radio;-**Gloria Winter**, Aug 14, 78; actress; (Chance of a Lifetime - audition show);-**Jackson Gillis**, Aug 19, 93; writer (The Whistler; Jeff Regan)

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Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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CONVENTION 2010: UPDATE # 2

October 21 – 24, 2010

General Information

All information about **Seating, Ads, Registration, Rooms** are on the first update that came with the flyer. **Please pre register.** Those coming for the day will save \$5 a day by pre registering. Also, if you are coming for the day only, you will not have to stand in line and fill out a registration card if you pre register. Don't forget the package prices. Remember: **Those people paying for the day must pay an extra \$10 if they want to stay for the cocktail hour and hors d'oeuvres.** The cocktail hour is for dinner guests only.

If you wish to stay for the re-creations at night and you do not stay for dinner, the cost is \$20.

Guest Changes

Additional Guests: Bob Gibson (News anchor ABC, NBC Radio and WCBS....announcer CBS-TV);
Larry Conroy (Count of Monte Cristo); voiceover coach
Not coming: Richard Herd; Simon Jones

Dealers

There are a few tables left.

Workshops and Re-creations

The complete schedule as of September 5th is enclosed. Re-creation, workshop and panel leaders please take notice. Please make sure that all your participants are aware of the times for rehearsals and performances. If you need anything special, please let me know. If your people need rides, make sure you have made the arrangements.

Raffle

There will be a raffle on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. If you would like to donate prizes, please let me know. We depend on the money received from the raffle and the sale of books, records, tapes, t-shirts and pins at the FOTR table to help pay for the many guests we have at our convention. We also will have tote bags for sale. We also will have several Auctions

We will have a special 30th anniversary DVD and VHS for sale. This was made by the Berneys and has excerpts of previous conventions. This was first on sale at our 30th convention.

Books

Books on sale at the convention as of now follow. If authors are tentatively coming, they are marked by an asterisk (*): Some authors will have their own tables;

All will be sold at reduced prices as noted.

Laughs, Luck and Lucy by *Gregg and Jess Oppenheimer \$10; **Baseball Over the Air** by Tony Silvia; \$32; **Fathers and Sons in Baseball Broadcasting** by Tony Silvia; \$28; **History of Doc Savage** by Robert Cotter; \$44; **Horror Stars on Radio** by Ronald Smith; \$36; **Ruth Etting** by Kenneth Irving; \$49

Also many of Ben Ohmart's books will be for sale at his table; Others, such as Martin Grams and Jim Manago, will also be selling their own books.

Let me know by e-mail what books you want including mine so I can have enough.

My Fourth Revised Ultimate History will be for sale. There will be much new information in it, much more than last year. I won't have too many at the convention so let me know if you might be buying it. Cost is unknown now but previous buyers will have a discount.

Hotel

Don't forget to reserve your rooms quickly. They may very soon be all sold out. Follow information on original flyer

SCHEDULE – 2010 (Up to date)

All programs in the Lenox/Tiffany Rooms; All re-creations in the Dresden/Lenox/Tiffany Rooms
Readings, meetings in the Ascot Room
Rehearsals in the Dresden Room (All rehearsals are closed unless specified otherwise)
Dealers in Conference and Waterford Rooms

Wednesday: Dealers tables and possibly sound equipment set up at night
Complimentary Wine and cheese from 6 pm to 10 pm.

Thursday

Dealers Rooms 9 am - 5:30 pm

9:00 - 9:45 - Film: "Aren't We Devils?" (about Ralph Edwards, "Truth or Consequences" and "This is Your Life") (Gregg Oppenheimer)
10:00 - 10:45 - OTR Jeopardy (Fred Berney)
11:00 - 12:00 - Radio game and Quiz shows (by Leah Biel)
12:15 - 1:15 OTR Historians Panel (Derek Tague with Frank Buxton and Bill Owen)
1:30 - 3:00 Authors Panel with Lonnie Burr, Dick Heatherton, Joe Martelle (Tentative); Dave Siegel; Johnny Holliday, Arthur Anderson, Lynne Rogers, Jim Manago; hosted by Mel Simons
3:15 - 4:15 - Radio Was There (Radio Coverage of JFK Assassination) (Ken Stockinger)
4:30 - 5:30 - 80th Anniversary tribute to The Shadow by A Tollin
5:30 - 8:00 - Cocktails and Dinner; raffle
8:00 - 8:30 - Those Were the Days Radio Players present The Adventures of Sam Spade (the Flopsy, Mopsy and Cottontail Caper) with Michael C. Gwynne, Dick Heatherton, Karen Lockwood, Rick Johnston, Jim Ferneborg, Debra Piening, Robert Maher, Art DiVittis and Lindsay Curcio; Dir. by Randy Larson
8:45 - 9:15 - Arthur Anderson directs an episode of a Norman Corwin story (To Tim at 20) from Forecast; with, Christina Conroy, Craig Wichman
9:30 - 10:00 - Original Script by Amanda Osborne: "One Afternoon in Section 37 (Ebbets Field, 1939)" Featuring, in alphabetical order: Christina Conroy, Larry Conroy, Will Hutchins, Bobb Lynes, Corinne Orr, Bill Owen, Lynne Rogers, Leslie Shreve, Kevin Scullin, Ken Stockinger, Barbara Watkins, and Craig Wichman; Directed by Jay Stern/Produced by Craig Wichman

Friday Morning and Afternoon

Dealers Rooms: 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

9:00 - 10:00 - Poetry and Broadcasting with author, , Frazier Russell,
10:15 - 11:15 - Voyage of the Scarlet Queen (Jack French)
11:30 - 12:45 - Researching OTR's "The Shadow"; with Martin Grams, Jr.
1:15 - 2:15 - Announcing Styles of the 1920's (Michael Biel)
2:45 - 4:15 - "Funnies Friday: OTR and the Comics" (8th annual "Funny Friday" Comedy panel), hosted by Maggie Thompson and James Gauthier, with guests Irwin Hasen, Jerry Robinson
4:45 - 5:30 - (Recreation) The Gotham Radio Players present a lost episode of THE FIRST NIGHTER PROGRAM - "The Care and Feeding of Mr. Dobbs". Directed by Steven M. Lewis, produced by Max Schmid.

Friday Evening

5:30 - 7:45 - Cocktails and Dinner, raffle
8:15 - 9:00 - Re-creation of Fibber McGee and Molly with Will Hutchins, Arthur Anderson, Elaine Hyman, and Russell Horton; dir. by Gary Yoggy
9:15 - 10:00 - "The Columbia Workshop" episode "Dress Rehearsal" starring Arthur Anderson, Cliff Carpenter, Bob Gibson, Michael C. Gwynne, Russell Horton, Lynne Rogers and Leslie Shreve; directed by Edgar Russell, III

Saturday Morning and Afternoon

Dealers Rooms: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

9:00 - 9:45 "Restoring the 1929-1930 WGY Pallophotophone Recordings" with Chris Hunter, Curator of Collections and Exhibitions, Schenectady Museum and Russ DeMuth, GE Global Research Center.
10:00 - 11:00 - More Children in Radio and Television; G Downes hosting; so far with Bill Britten, Lonnie Burr, Dick Heatherton, Elaine Hyman, Ivan Cury
11:15 - 12:00 - Original presentation by the Dave Warren Players (Blondie)
12:15 - 1:15 - Radio Covers the death of FDR (Gary Yoggy)
1:30 - 2:30 - The Joe Franklin Show with special Guests; Lonnie Burr, Gloria Clyné
3:00 - 4:30 - Singers, musicians and Big Bands, 14th annual (hosted by Stu Weiss and Brian Gari); guests include Dave Lucas, Dick Heatherton, Stan Applebaum, Ed Rambeau
4:45 - 5:15 - (Re-creation) "The Screen Guild Show" - featuring Chuck McCann (as Jack Benny), Ivan Cury (as George Murphy), Gloria McMillan (as Joan Crawford), Leslie Shreve (as Judy Garland), and Michael C Gwynne (as John Conte). Dir. by Gregg Oppenheimer

Saturday Evening

5:30 - 8:30 - Cocktails and Dinner, raffle, awards
8:30 - 9:15 - (Re-creation) "The Great Gildersleeve" - featuring Shirley Mitchell, Chuck McCann, Gloria McMillan, Will Hutchins, Cliff Carpenter, Leslie Shreve, Russell Horton, Elaine Hyman, Michael C. Gwynne, Ivan Cury, and Ron Cocking. Dir. by Gregg Oppenheimer
9:30 - 10:15 - (Re-creation) The Adventures of Superman; dir. by Anthony Tollin

Sunday Morning

7:00 - 9:30 - Breakfast in the restaurant
9:30 - 11:00 - Informal Panel in the Dresden Room

Please keep in touch. I will be at the Holiday Inn on Tuesday evening, Oct 19
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